

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A multidirectional floatation element useful for assembling decks, walkways and docks comprising:

a first generally planar surface, said first surface adapted for use as a deck;

a second surface, said second surface adapted for receiving and guiding a watercraft;

~~a plurality of~~ at least four side walls for adjoining and maintaining spacing between said first surface and said second surface, said side walls arranged to form a generally rectangular shape, wherein at least one of said side walls includes a semi-circular conduit extending the length thereof and positioned between said first and said second surfaces, whereby said semi-circular conduit is constructed and arranged to cooperate with semi-circular conduits of adjacent float elements to create a generally circular conduit extending through adjacent assembled floatation elements;

whereby said first surface, said second surface and said ~~plurality of~~ at least four side walls are continuous and cooperate to form a multidirectional floatation element, whereby said multidirectional floatation element may be positioned having said

first surface uppermost for constructing decks and walkways, whereby said multidirectional floatation element may be positioned having said second surface uppermost for constructing a watercraft keel guiding surface, whereby said multidirectional floatation elements are adapted for connection to adjacent multidirectional floatation elements.

2. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 1, wherein said multidirectional floatation element includes an aperture through one of said plurality of side walls, said aperture constructed and arranged to allow the addition or subtraction of ballast;

whereby the buoyancy of said floatation element is altered by the addition or subtraction of said ballast.

3. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 2, wherein said floatation element includes a plug constructed and arranged to cooperate with said aperture for maintaining air-tightness within said multidirectional floatation element.

4. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 2, wherein said floatation element includes a vented plug constructed and arranged to cooperate with said

aperture for allowing air to flow inwardly and outwardly from within said multidirectional floatation element upon a predetermined pressure.

5. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 1, wherein said multidirectional floatation element includes connection means, said connection means adapted for linking to at least one adjacent multidirectional floatation element.

6. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 5, wherein said connection means is constructed and arranged to link adjacent multidirectional floatation elements together so that the uppermost surfaces of adjacent floatation elements are substantially coplanar.

7. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 5, wherein said connection means is constructed and arranged to link adjacent multidirectional floatation elements together so that the uppermost surfaces of adjacent floatation elements are vertically offset to create an upper surface and a lower surface, wherein said upper surface and said lower surface are about parallel with respect to each other.

8. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 5, wherein said connection means includes a plurality of horizontally projecting tabs, said plurality of horizontally projecting tabs each including at least one aperture therethrough, said aperture constructed and arranged to cooperate with at least one horizontally projecting tab of an adjacent floatation element.

9. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 8, wherein said horizontally projecting tabs extend generally from intersecting corners of said side walls at different levels for overlapping cooperation with horizontally projecting tabs of adjacent floatation elements.

10. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 9, wherein said horizontally projecting tabs extending generally from intersecting corners of said side walls at different levels are generally offset closer to said first surface than to said second surface.

11. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 9, wherein said horizontally projecting tabs extending generally from intersecting corners of said side walls at different levels are generally offset closer to said second

surface than to said first surface.

12. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 1, wherein said second surface includes a V-shaped channel extending across a center portion of said multidirectional floatation element, said V-shaped channel including two generally parallel and planar surfaces, said two generally parallel and planar surfaces diverging outwardly to cooperate with a boat keel to provide a guiding surface therefor.

13. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to Claim 12, wherein said two generally parallel and planar surfaces are spaced apart and connected by a generally planar lower surface, said lower surface generally parallel to said first surface.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to claim 14, wherein said rectangular shape is about 19 inches across.

16. (Original) The multidirectional floatation element according to claim 15, wherein said side walls are between about

6 inches in height and about 30 inches in height.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently amended) The multidirectional floatation element according to ~~claim 19~~ claim 1, wherein two of said sidewalls include said semi-circular conduits.

21. (Currently amended) The multidirectional floatation element according to ~~claim 19~~ claim 1, wherein said conduit is adapted for providing a conduit for service utilities through adjacent assembled floatation elements;

whereby said service utilities may be utilized throughout an assembly constructed of said multidirectional floatation elements.

22. (Currently amended) In a pre-existing floating drive on dry dock assembly, wherein said floating drive on dry dock is constructed of a plurality of generally cubical floatation elements having generally planar uppermost surfaces, wherein the floatation elements are arranged to form two outwardly extending arms with an

open well between said two arms, wherein a watercraft is driven longitudinally onto said arms for docking purposes, a kit for filling the open well of said floating drive on dry dock assembly comprising:

at least one multidirectional floatation element, wherein said floatation element is constructed and arranged to fit within said open well between said arms, wherein said at least one multidirectional floatation element is adapted to attach to said floatation elements of said arms, wherein said at least one multidirectional floatation element includes a first generally planar surface, said first surface adapted for use a deck;

a second generally V-shaped surface, said second surface adapted for receiving and guiding a watercraft;

a plurality of side walls for adjoining and maintaining spacing between said first surface and said second surface;

whereby said first surface, said second surface and said plurality of side walls are continuous and cooperate to form a multidirectional floatation element, wherein said multidirectional floatation element includes an aperture through one of said plurality of side walls, said aperture constructed and arranged to allow the addition or subtraction of ballast;

whereby buoyancy of said floatation element is altered by the addition or subtraction of said ballast. ~~a first planar surface and a second surface for guiding a watercraft keel.~~

23. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a pre-existing floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 22, wherein said kit includes six multidirectional floatation elements wherein said multidirectional floatation elements are constructed and arranged to attach to each other and to said arms of said pre-existing floating drive on dry dock.

24-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Currently amended) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to ~~claim 25~~ claim 22, wherein said floatation element includes a cap constructed and arranged to cooperate with said aperture for maintaining airtightness within said multidirectional floatation element.

27. (Currently amended) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to ~~claim 25~~ claim 22, wherein said floatation element includes a vented cap constructed and arranged to cooperate with said aperture for allowing air to flow inwardly and outwardly from within said multidirectional floatation element upon a predetermined pressure.

28. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 22, wherein said

multidirectional floatation element includes connection means, said connection means adapted for linking to at least one adjacent multidirectional floatation element.

29. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 28, wherein said connection means is constructed and arranged to link adjacent multidirectional floatation elements together so that the uppermost surfaces of adjacent floatation elements are substantially coplanar.

30. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 28 wherein said connection means is constructed and arranged to link adjacent multidirectional floatation elements together so that the uppermost surfaces of adjacent floatation elements are vertically offset to create an upper surface and a lower surface, wherein said upper surface and said lower surface are about parallel with respect to each other.

31. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 28, wherein said connection means includes a plurality of horizontally projecting tabs, said plurality of horizontally projecting tabs each including

at least one aperture therethrough, said aperture constructed and arranged to cooperate with at least one horizontally projecting tab of an adjacent flotation element.

32. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 31, wherein said horizontally projecting tabs extend generally from intersecting corners of said side walls at different levels for overlapping cooperation with horizontally projecting tabs of adjacent flotation elements.

33. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 32, wherein said horizontally projecting tabs extending generally from intersecting corners of said side walls at different levels are generally offset closer to said first surface than to said second surface.

34. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 32, wherein said horizontally projecting tabs extending generally from intersecting corners of said side walls at different levels are generally offset closer to said second surface than to said first surface.

35. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating

drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 22, wherein said second surface includes a generally V-shaped channel extending across said multidirectional floatation element, said V-shaped channel including two generally parallel and planar surfaces, said two generally parallel and planar surfaces diverging outwardly to cooperate with a boat keel to provide a guiding surface therefor.

36. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 35, wherein said two generally parallel and planar surfaces are spaced apart and connected by a generally planar lower surface, said lower surface generally parallel to said first surface.

37. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 22, wherein said floatation element includes four side walls, said side walls arranged to form a generally rectangular shape.

38. (Original) The kit for filling the open well of a floating drive on dry dock assembly according to claim 22, wherein said multidirectional floatation element is constructed and arranged for providing service utilities through adjacent assembled floatation elements;

whereby said service utilities may be utilized throughout a